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Dear Josh:

I write to express my pleasure and admiration for the column which appeared in the February 28 issue of the Washington Post, the column which dealt with the actions of Shapero and Beckwith.

Your column is read avidly by all of us but I do believe that this was among the most lucid and most important to date and wish only to thank you for the thoughtfulness with which it was constructed. With all best wishes.

Sincerely yours,

Philip Handler President